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19 January 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Juozas BRAZAITIS - 16 January 1956

1. The undersigned met subject on 16 January 1956 in a downtown New York hotel at 1900 hours. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss subject's attitude toward the new administration of VLIK and the prospect of his cooperation with this new administration.
2. Subject stated that during the past few months he had been very busy with his own organizational matters. His party is now undergoing a process of expansion and reorganization. Subject's party (Frontas) has arranged several regional meetings and expects to have a national meeting in Canada next spring, which would include representatives of the various branches of the party in the U.S. as well as Canada. Subject declared that under these conditions he feels his party can accomplish more for the Lithuanian cause by "going it alone" and not affiliating itself with either VLIK or the new alliance of political parties which was formed recently outside of VLIK. Subject emphasized that he did not believe that the new administration of VLIK is capable of substantially changing the existing condition of ineptness and ineffectiveness. Subject stated that VLIK had deteriorated greatly during the past year and it would be difficult for the present administration, without having broader powers, to transform VLIK into an effectively functioning organization.
3. Subject further stated that he knows the new chairman of VLIK, Mr. MATULIONIS, and does not regard him as a strong personality. However he believes that the new chairman is more amenable to cooperation than Monseigneur KHUPAVICIUS was. Basically, however, subject thinks the new chairman will not change the existing policy of VLIK and will continue to strive for domination of the Christian Democratic Party within VLIK.
4. Subject then asked the undersigned whether it would be possible to intervene in the case of two members of the Frontas Party, now residing in Germany, who plan on arriving in the U.S. on visitors' visas for the purpose of participation in the above-mentioned national conference which is to take place in Canada. The two members are planning to stay about two months in the U.S. and visit the various branches of the party prior to departing for Canada. Subject explained that the party members in question will apply for the visas themselves, but in case they run into difficulty he wanted to receive assurance from the undersigned that we could facilitate their obtaining visas. The two persons in question are:
 - a. Professor Antanas MACEINA
Prinz-Eugen-Strasse 23
Freiburg i Br
Germany

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b. Professor Zenonas IVINSKIS
Heerstrasse 4
Bonn, Germany

The undersigned informed subject that he would consider this matter and would let him know at a later date whether or not we could intervene in this matter.

5. Subject then related a very interesting experience which Prof. MACEINA had recently. About two months ago Prof. MACEINA was visited by his wife from Lithuania. She came to his place of residence in the guise of an interpreter for a Soviet officer who came to Freiburg to pick up another Soviet officer who became ill while with the Repatriation Mission. Prof. MACEINA's wife visited him alone and spent about ten hours with him. She tried to convince him that he should return with her to Lithuania for her sake and the sake of their two children. She did not discuss political matters with him. Prof. MACEINA of course refused to return to Lithuania; however he promised his wife he would send her food packages. Prof. MACEINA also informed the local German Police about this occurrence.

6. Subject further told the undersigned that Prof. MACEINA was informed by the German Police that he could expect a second visit from his wife. Whether this visit materialized or not, subject does not know. Subject also could not tell the undersigned how the German Police (German Intelligence Service) found out about the planned second visit. Subject also gave ~~very~~ detailed information about Prof. MACEINA, stating that he was very active in the Frontas Party in Lithuania and that he was well-known at the University of Lithuania as a philosopher and economist, and that the Soviets apparently were trying to lure him back to Lithuania in order to use him for propaganda purposes.

7. At the end of the meeting subject promised the undersigned to keep him informed regarding any further contacts of Prof. MACEINA with his wife and also to be alert for any REDSKIN leads that he might become aware of while attending the regional conferences of his party.

Subject
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